## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (Currently Amended) A polyester fiber comprising polyethylene terephthalate at 90 mol% or higher of a whole repeating unit in a molecular chain thereof, the fiber having an intrinsic viscosity (IV) of 0.85 dl/g or higher and simultaneously meeting the following characteristics:
- (a) strength  $\geq 6.0 \text{ cN/dtex}$ ;
- (b) strength x (breaking elongation)<sup>0.5</sup>  $\leq$  24.0 cN/dtex.%<sup>0.5</sup>;
- (c) monofilament linear density  $\leq 5.0$  dtex; and
- (d) main dispersion peak temperature of loss tangent (tan  $\delta$ ) in the measurement of dynamic viscoelasticity at 110 Hz  $\leq$  147.0°C; and
- (e) a birefringence of an undrawn yarn > 0.08.
- 2-3. (Cancelled)
- 4. (Original) The polyester fiber according to claim 1, wherein the strength x (breaking elongation) $^{0.5}$  is 23.0 cN/dtex.%  $^{0.5}$  or lower.
- 5. (Previously Presented) A polyester dipped cord, which is obtainable by twisting one or more than one base yarn together into a pretwisted yarn, where the base yarn is made of a polyester fiber according to claim 1; twisting two or more pretwisted yarns together into a greige cord; and subjecting the greige cord to dip treatment to give a dipped cord simultaneously meeting the following characteristics:
- (a) tenacity conversion efficiency in the dip treatment (dipped cord tenacity / greige cord tenacity)  $\geq 96\%$ ; and
- (b) elongation at a specific load + dry heat shrinkage  $\leq 7.5\%$ .

- 6. (Original) The polyester dipped cord according to claim 5, wherein the tenacity conversion efficiency in the dip treatment (dipped cord tenacity / greige cord tenacity) is 98% or higher.
- 7. (Withdrawn) A method of making a polyester dipped cord, comprising: twisting one or more than one base yarn together into a pretwisted yarn, wherein the base yarn is made of a polyester fiber comprising polyethylene terephthalate at 90 mol% or higher of a whole repeating unit in a molecular chain thereof, the fiber having an intrinsic viscosity (IV) of 0.85 dl/g or higher and simultaneously having:
- (a) strength  $\geq 6.0 \text{ cN/dtex}$ ,
- (b) strength x (breaking elongation)<sup>0.5</sup>  $\leq$  24.0 cN/dtex.%<sup>0.5</sup>,
- (c) monofilament linear density  $\leq 5.0$  dtex, and
- (d) main dispersion peak temperature of loss tangent (tan  $\delta$ ) in the measurement of dynamic viscoelasticity at 110 Hz  $\leq$  147.0°C; and
- (e) a birefringence of an undrawn yarn > 0.08; twisting two or more pretwisted yarns together into a greige cord; and subjecting the greige cord to dip treatment to obtain a dipped cord having:
- (e) (f) tenacity conversion efficiency in the dip treatment (dipped cord tenacity / greige cord tenacity)  $\geq$  96%, and
- (f) (g) elongation at a specific load + dry heat shrinkage  $\leq 7.5\%$ .
- 8. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 7, wherein the tenacity conversion efficiency obtained in the dip treatment (dipped cord tenacity / greige cord tenacity) is 98% or higher.
- 9-10. (Cancelled).